(b) whether Government have calculated the cost of properties of the State as well as of individuals lost/damaged in the incident of 18th June, 2001 in Manipur; and

(c) when and how will the losses be compensated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Election to the State Assembly of Manipur are likely to be held alongwith some other States where elections are due in early part of 2002.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Demolition of places of worship

1742. SHRI VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many cases of demolition of places of worship have been reported from various States during last three years; and

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported along with nature of place of worship and action taken in detail on such incidents during last three years, State-wise, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Arrest of terrorists in Maharashtra

1743. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the recent arrests of some Members of Lashkar-e-Toyba (LCT) by Maharashtra Police in Mumbai and its surrounding areas;

(b) if so, the details of terrorists arrested;

(c) whether these arrested terrorists have been handed over to Jammu and Kashmir Police; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (d) The information

is being obtained from the Government of Maharashtra and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Renaming Connaught Place and Connaught Circus

1744. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Connaught Place and Connaught Circus have recently been renamed as Rajiv Chowk and Indira Chowk respectively;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the decision has been challenged in the Delhi High Court as being violative of the Home Ministry Regulations dated 26th September, 1976 in this regard;

(c) whether the Delhi High Court has called upon the Union Government to clarify its stand in this regard; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto and the affidavit filed by them in reply to the High Court's directive?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) The decision to rename Connaught Place and Connaught Circus as "Rajiv Chowk" and "Indira Chowk" respectively was taken by the Government as far back as August, 1995.

(b) to (d) yes, Sir. The matter is *sub-judice*.

Terrorist activities in Jharkhand

1745. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Jharkhand has been in the grip of terror let loose by several illegal groups of anti-social ultras;

(b) if so, the details of the terrorist activities committed by these groups in Jharkhand since its creation;

(c) the details of the support provided to the State Government to tackle the menace; and

(d) whether concrete action by the neighbouring States to detect the hide-outs of these ultra groups in their respective territories and apprehend them, are being adequately coordinated and implemented especially with a view to bring the members of these terrorist groups to book?